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**SWINDLING GAME
BY EXPRESS ORDER.****Up Town Hotel Caught by
Slick Individual
for \$50.****ORDERS STOLEN IN MICHIGAN****Writes Letters Ahead to Himself,
Calls For Mail and Then Flashs
Orders to His Own Credit on Un-
suspecting Clerks.**

What is believed to be a wholesale swindling game was unearthed this morning when an American Express Company order for \$50 was returned to an up town hotel marked "Payment Stopped." The order was cashed by the hotel clerk on November 29 and went through the usual banking channels.

On the date in question an enterprising and well-dressed elderly man arrived at the hotel and registered as H. M. Butler of Detroit, Mich. After writing his name he asked for his mail and was handed out several letters. Opening one he took out the American Express money order. As the express order was a considerable distance away on the West Side and as the money order was drawn in proper form upon a regular bank the order was cashed at the hotel.

Butler explained that it was a remittance from his wife and her name was signed in proper form. He stayed at the hotel for a day or so and then checked out, but did not state where he was going. The check was turned in with other moneys and just arrived back in Connellville from the New York office this morning.

Across the face of it was written in red ink, "Order Stolen." It had passed to the New York office of the company and through the bank it was learned that a package of money orders had been taken from a Michigan office some time ago and the company had stopped payment on all of them.

The general impression is that the thief has been operating at various points and that there are a large number of worthless money orders out at the present time. The company detectives it is said have been on the trail of the swindler, but he does not stop long in any town. His scheme is to mail the letters mailed to himself and the point is to arrive at a hotel in time to get his mail and then have checks and money orders cashed. If he fails or the money orders are cashed the hotel man learns that the money orders are worthless. A money order on an express company cannot be drawn for over \$50 and it is said that the swindler now operating on the American Express Company is well aware of this fact, but that he draws them up to the limit.

In order to secure the cashing of a money order at the express company's office it is necessary to have identification. Butler from all reports never goes about the offices. How Butler secured the money order blanks is not known, but the impression prevails that he was a former employee of the company and made off with them while in the employ of the company.

Agent W. H. Thomas stated at noon today that the money order that had turned up here was No. 17, of 18 stolen out of the 1,000,000 series. The money orders were stolen from the company's office in Somerset, Michigan, and officers have been endeavoring to locate the thief for some weeks. A special circular has been issued and all hotels and business houses are being notified that the thief has been a habitué of the offices. It is now known since the swindler visited Connellville and the company is expecting to hear of the cashing of all the other money orders that he made off with.

SHOT AT RACE.**Christopher Brown Gets Bullet in Hip
at Six Day Event.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(Special).—During one of the sprints at the six day bicycle race today four thousand people in Madison Square Garden were thrown into a panic by a shooting affray in one of the boxes. Christopher Brown was shot in the hip and leg by a pistol shot, was arrested, suspected of firing the shot.

Reyes and several others were in a box and the party adjoining them. The firing this morning developed into a riot, with occasional shots.

At noon the races were on, with a lot of the crowd. The 10 leading horses had covered 728 miles and two laps.

Chicago Storm Swept.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—(Special).—A blizzard swept the first of the season today, bringing a heavy snowfall and a cold wind.

**PHOENIX COMPANY IS
SOLVENT DESPITE LOSS****That is Declaration of New President
Who Took Charge Yesterday.
Dropped a Million Dollars.**

United Press Telegram.
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—W. T. Gray, former auditor of the Phoenix Insurance Company, who yesterday was made President of the Phoenix of Brooklyn today declared the company is in good condition despite the million dollar loss sustained. He said he and Henry Evans, who was made Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Phoenix, will endeavor to place the company again on a business basis. The report that Phoenix President Sheldon is dying was denied. It was admitted he had been ill a month, but is not dangerously so. He has not been told of the disclosures.

District Attorney Jerome declared this morning he was acquainted with the facts in the Phoenix case and had led a long conference with Superintendent of Insurance Hottel. He declined to state where he held the conference, saying the case is in his hands as District Attorney. He left the inference that he would bring the matter to the attention of the Grand Jury.

Will Go to Higher Court.
The State Game Commission will appeal the Indiana county decision declaring unconstitutional the act prohibiting fox-hunting from having firearms in their possession to the Supreme Court.

**THE YOUNG PEOPLE
HEAR DR. OSTROM.****Evangelist Preaches on Topic
"What Do I Live
For?"****THE PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW****It Will Be Church Day and on Thurs-
day the Day Will Be Devoted to
Tribute to the Aged—Dr. Mahood
in North District.**

At the First Baptist Church last night Dr. Ostrom conducted a special meeting for young people; the main part of the lower floor was reserved for the young people between the ages of 15 and 20. His subject of the evening was "What Do I Live For?" Among other things Dr. Ostrom said: "Some people are always looking for a soft soap. The only thing entitled to a soft soap is that animal in a soft bed and with soft food, and soft flesh—the pig. Next to the blessing of God there is no greater blessing than hard work. I think that we have never learned the capacity of a man for work. I do not feel that a man exercises half his power. Work harnesses the passions, curbs the appetites, makes a day an ever-renewing entertainment, night a benediction, and eternity a reward. A busy man may be tempted by the devil, but a little man tempts the devil to tempt him. Man is like a top, the most useful position for the top is in the act of spinning."

"Jesus is the representation of God Almighty's gentleness. If you will be a success, come to Jesus. The man who would make the most of himself need look no further than Jesus. Jesus is success. And the secret was a really triumphant life lived in the world that was not Christ. If you like success, love Jesus."

In the North District last night Dr. Mahood preached to the young people of the Sunday school. His subject was "What an Everlasting Day." Dr. Mahood was in San Francisco at the time of the earthquake of 1906, and related some of his experiences during that time. His text was "What shall I do to be saved? Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

The boys and girls meetings in the Baptist and Methodist Episcopal Churches yesterday afternoon were interesting and largely attended. A Bible conference was held for ministers and Sunday school workers this morning at 9:30 at the Presbyterian Church. Another session will be held at 2:30 this afternoon. Tonight Dr. Ostrom will preach on "Squaring the Square Deal." Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock he will preach at Dunbar. Tomorrow will be Church Day. All church members are urged to attend the services at their own churches at 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday will be one of the greatest days of the campaign. The services will be a tribute to the aged at the Baptist Church at 10.

Valuation Has Increased.
In three years the valuation of real estate in Jefferson, Tennessee county, has increased \$25,000.

BOARD DECIDES ON HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION.**Architects Employed and Special Committee Appointed at Meeting Last Night to Pro-
ceed With Work—No Increase for Carnegie Library.**

The present High School building will be duplicated before the beginning of the next school year, more than doubling its present capacity and giving Connellville a building which will meet the needs of the High School for the next 15 years. The board of trustees for \$1,000 in addition to the board last night. After selecting the architect of the Carnegie Free Library, the board last night decided to place the new High School addition to the present building. The board also decided to place the new High School addition to the present building. The board also decided to place the new High School addition to the present building.

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THE ROYAL ARCANUM**OFFICERS HELD MEETING****Object of Gathering at Scottdale to
Increase Membership of
the Order.**

Special to The Courier.
SCOTTDALE, Pa., Dec. 7.—A meeting of officers of the Associated Connellville Royal Arcanum at Scottsdale, Pa., which was postponed in Connellville two weeks ago, was held last night in R. A. Hall. The object was to make some arrangements for the winter and spring months. A number of plans were presented and discussed. President E. H. Dixon, of Uniontown, presided. He urged the members of the Association to visit each other during the winter. It was decided to have a special district spread some time during the winter during the winter to assist in the membership campaign. The meeting was a successful one. Persons were present from a number of towns in the district.

COAL BARBERS KILLED.**Shot Fall on George Yeckel at Dun-
murry Yesterday.**

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 7.—(Special).—George Yeckel, a coal miner employed at the Dunmurry colliery, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock by the roof falling on him.

Mean Brand of Weather.
The weather headed out today with the disagreeable kind that makes men want to stay indoors and hug the fire. Not only did the mercury drop lower than is comfortable, but a cold, raw wind and rain swept the region.

amounting to \$200. It declared that there is just enough money appropriated to the school to keep the building in good repair. The board last night decided to place the new High School addition to the present building. The board also decided to place the new High School addition to the present building.

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A NEW COKE COMPANY**PLANT IN WEST VIRGINIA****Capital Stock of \$100,000 Is Held by
the Miller Family—Development
Planned.**

The Miller Coal & Coke Company, composed entirely of Millers, has just been formed at Junior, Harrison county, W. Va. J. P. R. Miller, chief engineer of the Connellville plant, is president, with headquarters at Scottdale. He is one of the chief stockholders. The company is capitalized at \$100,000, the members of the company being J. P. R. Miller, Carrie M. Miller, Scottsdale, Pa.; Arthur R. Miller, Connellville, and J. W. Miller of Junior, W. Va. The company has a large tract of land in West Virginia and is planning to develop it. Under the direction of Engineer Miller it is expected to become one of the finest plants in the State.

IN ORPHANS' COURT.**Orphan Granted on Leslie A. Howard
in Court Yesterday.**

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 7.—In the Orphans' Court yesterday afternoon, a petition was granted on Leslie A. Howard for guardianship of the person and estate of his minor children, John and Mary Margaret Howard, both of whom are now in the care of their mother, Mrs. Howard, of Uniontown. It is alleged that no account has been filed.

In the estate of Lucien P. Smith an order was made directing the Philadelphia Title & Trust Company to pay \$100,000 to the estate of Lucien P. Smith, who has a monthly allowance of \$200 from the estate of Anna R. Smith.

Estate of Simon Postfield, alias order issued for sale of property in Springdale, containing 100 acres, was sold to the estate of Everella Virginia Neff, of Uniontown, for \$1,500, is approved.

WILL PAY \$10,000**AT COUNCIL MEETING****Finance Committee So Decide After
Going Over List of Bills Last
Evening.**

Town Council will meet this evening and more than \$10,000 will be paid out of the borough coffers. This was decided upon at a meeting of the Finance Committee held last evening in the City Hall.

Some of this money has already been paid but has not come out of the borough funds. There are \$5,000 worth of bonds and \$1,200 interest to be taken care of; the \$1,000 advanced Jones Brothers for the South Side sewer will be paid. Contractor Bernard O. Conner will get \$300 on account, and Contractor Marcus Marietta is to get the same amount. The brick company which holds a big bill against the borough is to be handed \$500 to reduce the account while the payroll will exceed \$1,500.

Zelayan Troops Win.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(Special).—A dispatch from Nicaragua, says General Vasquez, heading a part of Zelaya's forces, won a decided victory in an engagement at North Rama. Two hundred were killed, the dispatch says.

McGinnis in Colorado.
Word has been received by relatives that J. W. McGinnis of Lower Tyrone township has arrived in Colorado on a visit to his brother.

**GAS SHORTAGE
KEENLY FELT.****Supply Cut Off From Yester-
day Afternoon Until
This Morning.****CAUSED MUCH INCONVENIENCE****Main Line Beyond Fairmont Burst,
Ending Supply For Many Hours.
Cold Suppers Were the Rule Last
Evening Over Town—Others Suffer.**

The entire coke region was put to great inconvenience yesterday afternoon and last night by the failure of the gas supply, owing to a break in the main line of the main line between Fairmont and Anson, W. Va. The gas supply became exhausted about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and did not return until 6:30 this morning. Throughout the stormy night workmen employed by the Fayette County Gas Company labored to find the difficulty.

"You never miss the gas until the pipe line breaks" is an apt parody on an old adage about the well, and the gas was certainly sadly missed yesterday and last night. Those whose homes are lighted entirely by gas, and others forsaking Old King Coal for the more modern fuel, were the keenest sufferers. There was a big demand for candles, lamps and kerosene oil. Not a few families retired early last evening, their hopes being thoroughly chilled by the lack of gas.

In several stores where gas is used for both heating and illuminating purposes the evening was a frost in more ways than one. The stores were cold and provided no pleasant place for customers to spend their time or money. Business interests in general sustained losses of no small proportions. Manufacturing plants using gas for fuel were seriously affected.

Connellville was not the only town to suffer. Uniontown was without gas as well as other towns supplied by the same company. At supper time last evening the rub game was in a fair state that fully 90 per cent of the homes in Connellville cook with gas. Their fuel being cut off, cold meals were the rule rather than the exception. The restaurants suffered keenly, too, for they depend entirely upon gas for fuel. The hotels were little better off.

It was with rejoicing that early risers this morning, that is, if they did not rise too early, found the gas supply on in full once more. Breakfast was served piping hot and tasted fine, too, after supper last night had been taken in cold doses.

Plans Strike's End.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 7.—(Special).—It is reported that officials of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company will endeavor today to end the Bridgeport strike. Either the company will close down the mill or import strikebreakers.

Selons of Astors Attacked.
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(Special).—William Astor Drayton, grandson of the late John Jacob Astor, was attacked this morning by two men. He was not fatally hurt. Robbery was the motive.

Had Mercy on Prisoners.
Because of the excessive cold, butchers in the borough of the city were released. During the night the police made but a single arrest, Ed Hill, a Uniontown negro.

**INDETERMINATE
SENTENCE MADE.****Cary Swan Goes to Pen for
Not Less Than 5 or More
Than 20 Years.****FIRST UNDER THE NEW LAW****Second Degree Verdict Directed by
Court, Which Gives Negro Chance
to Get Out Soon—Other News of the
Criminal Courts.**

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 7.—Cary Swan was the first prisoner to be given an indeterminate sentence under the law which was passed last May. After a verdict of second degree murder had been directed against him by the court for the murder of his brother, William Swan, sentence was passed committing him to the Western Penitentiary for not less than five nor more than 20 years.

Judge Tammel explained that under the old law a fixed sentence of 10 or 12 years would have been made, but now Swan, if he behaves, may get out of the penitentiary within five years. "Thomas Swan, the father, was cross-examined this morning and then relieved. Miss Ethel Lawrence Milton Lawrence, Pauline Courell and Mrs. Catherine Solos were put on the stand and told of hearing the trouble about midnight of September 21. It was too dark, they said, to distinguish who the fighters were. They saw a big man and a little man start down the street at Thompson works, quarreling. One said he heard one threaten to kill the other. "If he didn't let his wife alone." Another testified that one of the men called for help several times. The men came back later, the smaller one staggering. He collapsed and laid for from five to 15 minutes before he was taken away. The Lawrence witness disagreed over the kind of night, one saying it was very dark and the other declaring that the moon was shining.

After the evidence was in Attorney McKean asked that finding instructions be given the jury. "This was done. Cary Swan was convicted of second degree murder and his wife, Mary Swan, was acquitted. The only case tried before Judge Van Swearingen this morning was that of Harry Moians and M. J. Moians, furniture dealers of Uniontown, charged with larceny by bailee by W. J. Houston. Houston claims he gave a davenport into the keeping of the Moians brothers and they sold it to Carlo Carnes. Carnes is willing to give the davenport back if he gets what he paid for it. The defendants claim, on the other hand, that Houston begged them to take the davenport and get what they could for it. The jury retired on this case shortly before noon.

Several offenders pleaded guilty before Judge Van Swearingen. David Komar admitted beating a board bill owing Martin Sosen at Beeson works. D. H. Byers and Edna Eams pleaded guilty to keeping a disorderly house at Tower Hill. Andrew Feber admitted a charge of malicious mischief for breaking G. Lux's window. John Chulabko pleaded a board bill owing George Snoelck, while Frank Miller pleaded guilty to carrying concealed weapons.

Mary A. Paxton has entered a libel in divorce against Samuel Paxton, charging cruel and barbarous treatment. She lives in Dunbar, having been forced to leave her home at Uniontown, she claims, because of her husband's cruelties. They were married in 1893.

**CITIZENS HAVE KICK
ON BAD SIDEWALKS****Cottage Avenue For Some Distance
Is Impassable, Residents
There State.**

A complaint was made to The Courier this morning by residents living on Cottage Avenue between Fayette street and Murphy Avenue and all persons who have occasion to pass over that portion of the street, that the sidewalk is in fearful shape. It is covered with a layer of yellow clay that makes it impossible for women and men just as soon as a little rain falls.

The matter, it was stated this morning, has been reported several times to the Street Committee, but no satisfaction has been obtained, nor relief from the nuisance the street has come to be.

Snow and Cold.
Snow and much colder tonight and Wednesday with brisk high winds, becoming southwesterly, is the noon weather forecast.

A Champion Pig.
The Hotel Albion at Fairview has a porker soon to be killed that will dress 500 pounds.

ENGLISH BLOODHOUNDS FOR POLICE FORCE

Two Fine Animals Will Shortly Be
Purchased From Reading Ken-
nels at \$100 Each.

The members of the police force expect to receive two full blooded English bloodhounds within a few days. They are communicating with several breeders but have not decided to accept the offer of a Reading kennel for two dogs at \$100 each.

Chief Butler wrote the firm this morning making that offer. It is not unlikely that the proposition will be accepted. The dogs, one male and one female, but not related, are about two years old and are thoroughly trained to hunt.

The night policeman held a meeting last evening and agreed to the proposition that has been suggested. John A. Lowe, E. M. Smith, E. C. Stilleman, James Francis, George Francis, Joseph O'Brien and William Stone.

It was first suggested that Chief Butler should go to Reading and look the dogs over, but the latter proposition is regarded as more feasible.

New Attorney Admitted.
Two new attorneys were formally admitted to the bar of Connelville yesterday. They are: E. M. Smith and J. R. Ketchum. They were sworn in by Judge J. C. Work.

COMBINE WORRIED.

Over Attitude of Tri-State Telephone Company Stockholders.

Married at the opposition being set up by the stockholders of the Tri-State Telephone Company to the proposed sale of a majority of the stock to the Connelville company, by the American Union Telephone Company, of Harrisburg. Second Vice President Charles West of the latter company and the company's attorney paid a visit to Connelville yesterday to look over the local situation and confer with the local stockholders in regard to any proceedings which may be brought by the local stockholders in the Fayette of other courts.

Attorneys R. L. Robinson and E. C. Higginson, for the local holders, have been working hard on plans to prevent a consummation of the sale, but they decline at this stage to outline the nature of their proceedings.

REPAVING STREET.

Work is Soon to Start Laying Hill-side Brick.

Preparations are being made today to repave North Pittsburg street between Main street and Orchard street. This work has been held up because the full consignment of bricks had not arrived. The bricks arrived today and are being laid out along the street. If the weather is favorable, Chairman Edgar Cyprian will rush work on repaving the street at once.

Halfside bricks are to be used because the smooth faced ones make the hill almost impossible for heavily loaded teams. If these bricks remained on the street all winter, traffic would be impossible in bad weather.

A GREAT RECORD.

Dr. Leonhardt's Internal Pile Remedy Makes 98 Per Cent. of Cures.

Dr. Leonhardt's Hem-Roid has been tested in several thousand cases, and was successful in all but two per cent.

Hem-Roid's wonderful record is due to the fact that it is an internal remedy. The cause of piles is internal, and it is too much to expect to cure piles with ointments, suppositories or operations. Hem-Roid cures the internal cause.

Sold for \$1, under guarantee by A. A. Clarke, Dr. Leonhardt Co., Station B, Buffalo, N. Y., prop. Write for booklet.

BIG REHEARSAL HELD.

Opera Club Meeting Twice Weekly in "Said Pasha."

Another big rehearsal of "Said Pasha" by the Connelville Opera Club was held in Pittsburg's hall last evening. These rehearsals are held twice a week and the production is rapidly being perfected. The leading members of the cast are being drilled between times by Director and Mrs. Charles E. Stout.

The next rehearsal of the opera will be held on Friday evening.

USED SIGNAL LIGHTS.

That is the Way Government Officials Were Treated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(Special).—During the sugar trial today Harry Van Dusen, former assistant government witness, testified the trust had electric light signals in each of the scale houses where the doctored scales were used.

He said the light was used to signal the approach of government officials. The switch to the light was concealed in an unknown place where the witnesses worked.

Buyers More Coal.

Five small tons of coal at Wood side have been sold by M. S. Sangston to Francis Rocks of the Sunshin Coal & Coke Company for \$10,000.

House and Barn Burned.

A house and barn located on the Charles Morgan farm in Dunbar township was totally destroyed by fire this morning about 7 o'clock.

PALMIST, ASTROLOGER.

Miss Louise St. Germaine, Hours 10 to 2. Smith House, room last week.

Classified Ads in The Courier bring results. Only one cent a word. Try them.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE SMITH LITIGATION

Claimants Want an Issue Framed to Determine if Estate Has Occurred.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 7.—Another chapter in the famous Berthanna R. Smith litigation was written on the records of the Fayette county Orphan's Court Monday afternoon when claimants presented a petition to Judge J. C. Work asking that an issue be framed to determine whether or not an estate was necessary. The petition was directed to be filed.

Mrs. Smith died in Connelville, September 20, 1905. She left an estate valued at \$100,000, bequeathing the Smith house, a well known Connelville hotel, and other property to her children and to Mr. Ketchum, who was appointed administrator. An executor was named, but claimants soon came forward and sought possession of the property. They failed to prove their rights in court and possession, at all times up to this date, has been denied.

The issue is now being framed by Samuel A. Smith, John Smith, Charles Smith and Frank Smith, William Albert, Henry and Edward Schaeffer, Mrs. Selma Lloyd, Mrs. Emma Taylor and Charles Ketchum, all of whom are the children and grandchildren of Berthanna Smith. They contend that Berthanna Smith held property in trust in the Connelville property and that, upon her death, it should have reverted to their family. In their petition they ask the court to frame an issue to determine the following facts: Whether Berthanna R. Smith held the property in her own right or for life and whether or not the children and grandchildren of Berthanna Smith, and whether or not she made a will devising them property, which was lost or destroyed after her death.

TOPOGRAPHIC VANDERBILT CLUB.
Were Ahead But One Pin in Totals.
Had Won Two Games.

League Records.
High Game—S. B. Double, 123.
High Total—S. B. Double, 210.
High Team—Tigers, 1,030.

Club Standing.
Tigers 23 14 393
Topnotchers 22 29 321
Cubs 20 10 315
Admirals 20 29 312

The Topnotchers vanquished the Cubs in the Connelville baseball league on the Temple alleys last night and while they only had one more pin in the grand totals, they managed to win by two games of the three.

No new records were established although both teams pulled good scores. R. K. Long had the best individual game with ten but high total went to McGraw with 245.

SOCIAL.

Marionettes Meet.
Youth Tent No. 125. Knights of the Macabees held its regular meeting last evening in Odd Fellow's hall. Several new members were initiated.

Meeting in Cumberland.
Miss Ethel Gorman of Connelville and George John Soller were married Sunday afternoon at the Kingsley Methodist Episcopal parsonage in Cumberland by the pastor, Rev. Alexander Helinski. Mr. and Mrs. Soller will make their home at Kitzmiller, Pa., the home of the bridegroom.

Special Meeting.
A special meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the church chapel. Plans for a supper to be held in the near future were discussed.

Pastor's Aids Meet.
The Pastor's Aids of the First Presbyterian Church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Miss Mary Dick on South Pittsburg street. There was a large attendance and business of a routine nature was transacted. A social hour and refreshments followed.

Y. M. C. A. Auxiliary to Meet.
The regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. All members are requested to attend.

Meeting Postponed.
On account of the weather the meeting of the regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. has been postponed until Thursday afternoon, December 23. The annual election of officers will take place.

Wednesday Meeting.
The regular meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Society of the Trinity Church will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. John A. Giller on West Peach street. A large attendance is desired and all members not having turned in their lists boxes are requested to do so at this meeting.

U. A. A. to Elect Officers.
The annual election of officers will take place tomorrow afternoon at the regular meeting of the U. A. A. to the G. of U. to be held in Odd Fellow's hall. A large attendance is desired.

Cards for Miss Moore.
Miss Mildred Crothers will entertain at cards Wednesday evening at her home in Uniontown in honor of Miss Emma Moore, whose marriage to Harvey Watson of Birmingham, Ala., will be an event of Saturday, December 18. Miss Moore is well known in Connelville.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. D. J. Hoover went to Pittsburg this morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Joseph Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Studer are in Pittsburg today.

Miss Harriet Ridgeway is in Uniontown today on business.

Miss A. A. Withers was the guest of Miss Elizabeth Smith of Dawson, yesterday.

The Uniontown newspapers contain most flattering notices of the excellence of "Aida" sung by the English Grand Opera Company in the County Seat last night. At the Solon theatre this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alice Johnson of Pittsburg, have returned home after a visit with relatives in the West side. They were called here by the death of the former's father, Samuel Johnson.

Miss Irene Johnston was the guest of friends in Connelville over Sunday.

Karl Linden of Harrisburg, was in town yesterday on a little shopping trip.

Miss Susan McElreath was in Uniontown yesterday on business.

Ray, G. H. Flynn of Connetquot is visiting friends in town today. Ray Flynn is well known in this section and is a prominent Methodist minister.

H. B. and P. C. Workman were transacting business in Uniontown yesterday.

Absolutely Pure...

Royal Baking Powder
Improves the flavor and adds to the healthfulness of the food

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure



Mrs. W. H. Barker and daughter, Miss Barker, London and Elia, were the guests of relatives of Mr. Pleasant yesterday.

Miss Margaret Callahan was in Pittsburg yesterday.

U. G. Jarrett of Scotland, was in town this morning on business.

Mrs. R. S. Matthey is the guest of relatives in Uniontown this afternoon.

Miss Mary Hays of Pittsburg, spent Sunday as the guest of Miss Ivy Mason of Pittsburg, West Side.

Miss E. Yetter of Pittsburg, returned home yesterday afternoon after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Galt.

Miss Agnes Carson of Layton Station, was the guest of friends here yesterday.

Miss Mary Friel of Vanderbilt, was calling on friends here yesterday.

Miss Pearl Robinson was the guest of friends at Scottville Sunday.

Miss Lucile Deleva has resigned her position as clerk in the West side department of the Wright-Metzer Company.

Mrs. John Irwin was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Helen in Uniontown, yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. J. R. Scott of Uniontown, and Mrs. J. S. Kitchner of Dunbar, were Connelville callers yesterday.

Miss H. H. Carr of Dawson was calling on friends here yesterday.

J. L. Rendell came up from Pittsburg last evening on the Duquesne and spent part of today in Connelville on business.

S. J. Harvey went to New York on the Duquesne last evening.

H. T. Gorman, George Gorman, M. H. Duff, F. W. Wright, L. L. Watkins and M. E. Tarnoff were among the loyal people in Uniontown yesterday.

Mr. Graham is pleased to announce to his customers that he has secured the agency for Zippo, the best known remedy for the positive and permanent cure of Eczema, Pimples, Dandruff, Blackheads, Piles and every form of Skin or Scalp disease, leaving a clean, healthy skin. See display and photos of cures made by Zippo at the Graham Drug Co., Connelville, D. C. Reason, Dunbar. Ask for sample.

Mrs. J. M. Shroyer of Knoxville, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Sallie McDonald, of East Liberty avenue, the past three weeks, returned home Saturday evening.

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NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA.

If You Have It, Read This Letter.

A. A. Clarke Guarantees Mi-on-a.
"I was taken last August with a severe stomach trouble. The doctor said it was nervous dyspepsia. He gave me medicine for that. I took his treatment four weeks, didn't feel any better at the end of four weeks than I did when I commenced taking his medicine. I took everything I heard of. The first day of December, 1908, I got a box of Mi-on-a. I took them that afternoon and the next day haven't had one bit of pain in my stomach since the 2nd of December. I took five boxes. Feel well now, sleep good—That is something I haven't done in a number of years." Mrs. M. E. Minkfeld, R. F. D. 2, Avoca, N. Y., June 9, 1909.

Mi-on-a in the form of a tablet is the best prescription for indigestion ever written.

It relieves after dinner distress, belching of gas, food breath, heartburn, etc., in five minutes.

It is guaranteed by A. A. Clarke to permanently cure indigestion, acids or chronic, or any disease of the stomach or money back.

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Dr. LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

HYOMEI
(Pronounced High-O-Me)
Cures catarrh or money back. Test breathe it in. Complete outfit, including Inhaler \$1. Extra bottles 50c. Druggists.

DEATHS.
Carrie Edna Knight.
VANDERBILT, Dec. 7.—Carrie Edna Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Knight of New York, passed away Sunday afternoon at 7:30. She was aged 2 years, two months and 23 days, one week ago today she took sick. A physician was called and pronounced her ailments measles but the measles would not be brought out and she grew worse. A few days after this pneumonia developed and she began to fall rapidly. All that could be done to save her failed. She was fully exerted on the part of the family and friends, but to no avail.

There is deep sorrow in the home where this little one was permitted to live for a few brief years. The stricken family, in this hour of grief, have the sympathy of a host of friends and neighbors. The funeral services were held this afternoon from the home of her parents, Rev. George Grant, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, had in charge of the services. The little one was laid in the cemetery at 1:45 p.m. surrounded by those who loved her with a deep and abiding love.

Mrs. Susan Atkins.
November 28, 1909.—Mrs. Susan Atkins, wife of George W. Atkins, at the residence of her son, C. W. Atkins, at Mount Pleasant, where she was taken by her son a short time previous to her death. The funeral took place at the Calvary Church, near their old home, December 1. Survived by her son, C. W. Atkins, of Mt. Pleasant, of the United Brethren Church, of which Mrs. Atkins was a consistent member since her childhood days. Mrs. Atkins passed the seventy-fourth birthday. She was a good woman and a good neighbor. In case of sickness in the neighborhood she was there to minister to the sick and aid in every way possible. She will be missed in the community. A son is vacant in the home and in the church. She is survived by her husband, three sons and one daughter—John and Cecile of Mt. Pleasant, Elmer of Greensburg, and Elizabeth Miller of the old home town.

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Buy Christmas Furs Now at a Reduction of 25 Per Cent.

The warm weather has all to do with furs being offered at this insensational cut, and to make it better still for our patrons just in time to save you extra Christmas money or to enable you to secure a 25 per cent. better fur for the same money.

Nothing could be nicer than a Separate Muff, Neck Piece, or Whole Set for Mother, Sister, Cousin, Niece or Aunt for a Christmas present.

BEAUTIFUL FUR SETS FOR LADIES.	SEPARATE NECK PIECES FOR WOMEN.
Black and Brown Cooney Fur Sets at.....\$3.25 and \$5.00	Belgium Hare, Sable Cooney, Water Mink and Mink Neckpieces at \$1.50, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.75 and \$10.00.
Black and Brown Hare Sets at.....\$4.00, \$4.50 and \$6.50	Blended Squirrel Neck Pieces at.....\$5.50, \$7.50 and \$9.50
Other Sets in Black, Brown and White at.....\$5.00 \$5.75 and \$8.50	Grey Squirrel Neck Pieces at \$5.50 and \$6.50.
Grey Squirrel Sets.....\$10.00	Black French Lynx Neck Pieces at \$10.00 and \$25.00.
Beautiful plain White and plain Grey Fox Sets at.....\$25.00	Natural Mink Neck Pieces at \$10.00, \$15.00 and \$25.00.
SEPARATE MUFFS IN EITHER PILLLOW OR RUG STYLE.	Isabella Fox Neck Pieces at \$15.00, \$19.50 and \$25.00.
Black Cooney, Mink, Black Hare and Brown Hare Muffs at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4.25, \$5.00, \$5.75 and \$7.50.	Siberian Bear Neck Pieces at \$25.00.
Isabella Mink Pillows or Rug Muffs at.....\$15.00	Black Lynx and Isabella Fox Muffs in Pillow or Rug style at \$25.00.
	Natural Mink Pillow or Rug Muffs at.....\$18.50

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Think—right in the very midst of holiday shopping comes this terrific cutting of prices on women's coats, when women are just now beginning to buy them. Warm weather alone is the cause of these extraordinary sale prices.

This powerful movement of women's coats is backed by as large a stock as you will find in the largest city stores, while the assortment of styles and qualities are surpassed by no other store in Pennsylvania.

We have planned to make this coat sale one long to be remembered by Connellsville women and any woman who has the instinct of economy in her, will grasp the opportunity to save when the savings are so pronouncedly apparent on every price tag.

NOTE THESE PRICES AND FIGURE THE SAVINGS FOR YOURSELF.

We Are Cutting the Prices of Women's Skirts Without Regard to Former Prices or Cost.

We don't know which one of these sales deserves the boldest headlines. Prices have been cut without parallel or precedent—values are positively sensational. Were we in a city of 100,000 people—our entire stock would be sold out in less than one day's time.

TO STAY AWAY IS LIKE THROWING DOLLARS AWAY—COME TODAY—

YOU CAN'T COME TOO EARLY FOR VALUES LIKE THESE.

Sale Starts Wednesday Morning, December 8th

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Misses' and

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Coats Reduced

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"Quality" is a fundamental part of every garment—goodness of material and excellence of tailoring; handsome military coats, mannish plain tailored coats, captivating light-fitting coats, semi-fitting and graceful loose fitting models; single or double breasted; in materials you have broadcloths, chevrons, Scotch mixtures and various fancy weaves; some lined throughout; others half lined with the new pleated bottom effect; regular \$18 up to \$22.50 values; special \$15.75

First glance at these coats will convince you of the unusual values. The tailoring, finishing, fit, all superb. Charming simplicity in mannish plain tailored coats; coats that are "fancy" but not overdone. Beautiful satin finish broadcloths, fine unfinished chevrons, new diagonals; military effect or with shawl or long notched collar. All lengths, including the 50 and 54 inch. A guaranteed lining in each coat, regular \$25 and \$30 values, special at \$18.75

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Dashing 54 inch semi-fitted models, fully lined with satin and fine mercerized Venetian. Shawl collar or button close to the neck. Large lapels. Trimmed with jet buttons.

\$30.00 VALUES FOR \$21.50
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Skirts of fine quality Panama cloth, combining many of the season's new features to make a dressy garment; made with pleated flounce and button trimmed; up to \$6.50 values, special \$3.90

From our line of Skirts up to \$8.50 you can select elegant voiles and panamas, made up in killed, pleated and gored styles; some are plain, others are trimmed with straps and buttons; special \$4.90

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A big stock which includes the season's most admissible styles, at prices that are very, very tempting.

Suits worth up to \$15 for \$9.90

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FELDSTEIN'S

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The News of Nearby Towns.

DUNBAR.

DUNBAR, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Jennie McChaffin was the guest of friends in Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Harry Bunch was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hunkeler at Perryopolis Sunday.

Robert D. Jones, superintendent of the Pope Cement & Brick Works, who has been several ill with the grip is now able to be out again.

Jacob Swenman spent Sunday the guest of friends in Uniontown.

Charles Riley who has been the guest of his brother, Frank for the past week left for his home at Greensburg.

Edgar Melton, who is employed in Greensburg, spent Sunday here, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Melton.

Charles Helger of Star Junction, was here Monday the guest of friends.

At the meeting of Council the resignation of Morgan Stewart as policeman was accepted and a new one selected, Howard Anderson of Connellsville, was appointed as policeman.

Charles Teichert of Uniontown, was here Monday visiting friends.

Mrs. William A. Smith who has been visiting friends at Upper Middletown, Pa., returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hickey, of Scottsdale, were here Sunday, the guest of the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Patterson.

Mrs. Sara Nellie was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Phelan at Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Rev. David L. Miner was in Connellsville Sunday officiating at the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary C. Collins.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Methodist Protestant Church will meet Friday evening at the home of Mrs. John Jones, at the Parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McElhinney spent Sunday the guest of friends in Uniontown.

MT. PLEASANT.

MT. PLEASANT, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Vincent Andrews and youngest son were both seriously injured Friday evening when the house attached to the barn in which they were riding became frightened at a steam roller and ran off on the college avenue. The buggy was upset and the occupants violently thrown upon the pavement. The horses were slightly injured and the buggy damaged. Mrs. Andrews and her child were removed to their home in the West End, both suffering from injuries.

The local football team would like to arrange a game with the Connellsville team at this place as soon as possible. They have been trying for some time to get a game but recently Connellsville doesn't want to be afraid to play. The local team played their several weeks ago and if possible they wish the manager of the Connellsville team to respond with a return game.

The Nixon bowling alley located "on the hill" and established in 1905 is up for sale.

The Anchor Glass factory and the Sweeney glass manufacturing plant, located on the Dunbar plan, are making arrangements to start in full operation Friday. The factories were recently sold at a receiver's sale and the sale was confirmed by the court. The company then means much for Mt. Pleasant and at least 500 men will be employed at once.

Prof. H. W. Bailey of Whitehouse, in making a few days' visit with relatives in Uniontown and Scottsdale.

Mrs. Ella Treasurer left last evening for Uniontown to spend a few days' attending to matters of business.

David Schilling of Connellsville, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Edith Swenman and daughter left last evening for Maple Summit to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hall.

Mrs. Ella Daniels of near Maple Summit, left Monday evening for Uniontown.

Mrs. May Rafferty, who has been on a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Harrison and family, of Sugar Land, returned home Sunday evening accompanied by her cousin, Miss Edith Morrison.

D. H. Horton of Connellsville, was at this place Monday.

Mrs. T. M. Mitchell, accompanied by Miss Mildred Butler, spent last evening with Connellsville friends.

William Miller of Sugar Land, returned to his work at this place last evening.

Remedy is Now Curable.
ZEMO, a clean fluid for external use, cures itching instantly and permanently cures eczema and every form of itching skin or scalp disease. Mr. Graham, the druggist, says he has been shown positive proof of many remarkable cures made by ZEMO and that he endorses and recommends it and believes ZEMO will do all that is claimed for it. Ask for sample, Graham & Company's drug store, Connellsville, D. C. Tason, Dunbar.

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, Dec. 6.—Miss Blanche Kurts entertained at a 12 o'clock dinner Sunday the following: Miss Turner of Edinboro, Miss Blanche Fisher of Charleston, and Misses Mabel Wagner and Lucy Dornfield of town.

John Doyle of Edinboro, passed through town Sunday on his way to Edinboro to spend a few days with his parents.

Mrs. Emma Grant son Fred, and daughter Joseph of Charleston, passed through town Saturday evening to Edinboro, where they will be the guests of friends for several weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard were Pittsburgh visitors Friday and Saturday.

Hiram and Morris Largent of Morgantown, W. Va., spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Largent, at Addison.

Leon Schinnerer spent Sunday with friends in Marklesburg.

John L. Davis was the guest of his brother, Harry Davis, and family in Connellsville Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Turner, milliner in H. Kurts' department store, left yesterday for her home in Edinboro.

Miss Marie Yount, who has been visiting friends in Mt. Pleasant, returned home Sunday evening.

Miss Mayne Scott of Connellsville, spent Sunday with her mother and sister, on Oak street.

Mrs. Beryl Pottery, who has been confined to her room for several weeks with the grip is improving.

Charles Christ of Jeckey Valley, passed through town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Frye of Somersfield, were calling on friends here Sunday.

The Baptist Church will hold a 10-cent lunch and ice cream social in the third building December 18. Everybody invited.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kurts of Edinboro, who have been visiting friends in town the past week returned home Sunday.

had from previous socials gives them a fund of \$5.22 which they have on deposit in the bank to be used for painting the church and playground.

A. Howard and wife have returned from Fairmont, W. Va., where they spent several days as guests of their son, B. Howard and wife.

Mrs. J. N. O'Neil and Mrs. George Crow were transacting business in Uniontown Monday.

Durges Mithot had Buck Mottelth before him Saturday evening for speeding a horse on the street. The horse was impounded a nominal fine assessed Mottelth to go on a month's probation.

C. C. Woodfield of Ruble, was here on business Saturday.

L. B. Lack and wife have returned from a visit with relatives at Fairmont, W. Va.

Orval Linton of White House, was in the borough Saturday. While in town he was invited into and made acquainted with some of the mysteries of the South Side Church of the Brethren Sunday morning.

W. J. Ruhl and Jasper King commenced auditing the First National bank, Saturday.

J. B. Witt of Ruble, was a business visitor Monday.

U. S. Marshal Owen was here Monday with a subpoena for Frank Smith to attend United States Court at Boston, Mass., as a witness on the part of the Government against a publishing company.

Smith was to appear in Rowden on the 7th inst. and the summons had been sent to the postmaster here in ample time for him to have got there, but he avoided service. He will probably have to go at his own expense.

W. C. T. U. will hold a meeting tonight in the local church.

Luce, of the National organization, will address the meeting.

Ed. Riser, one of Springhill's progressive farmers, was here on business Monday.

Rev. F. A. Shupe closed a series of special meetings that he had been holding in the Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening. He goes to Shreve, Greene county to assist in a revival at that place.

Rev. W. M. Ryan will deliver a lecture in the Baptist Church Friday night, December 10, on the life and times and associations of Horace Groves. Admission free.

MEYERSDALE.
MEYERSDALE, Dec. 6.—George M. Grayson of Frederick, Md., was here on business Saturday.

P. N. Price of Connellsville was here on business Saturday.

Paul T. Nowing of Johnstown, who is interested in the placing of life insurance was here on business Saturday.

Stanford L. Lambert of Somerset, was calling on friends here Saturday.

S. J. Tipton of Markleton, was a visitor here Saturday.

The large chute which conveys the coal from the shaft to the cars, about 200 feet in length, and inclined at an angle of about 45°, at the summit of the Somerset Coal Company, has been replaced by a new one, with the same having been completed on Saturday. The work was done without causing an hour's delay in the operation of the mines, which, during the past month were running steadily.

Elder E. K. Hochstetler of near Peachbottom, occupied the pulpit in the South Side Church of the Brethren Sunday morning.

VANDERBILT.
VANDERBILT, Dec. 7.—The Men's Bible Class of the Presbyterian Church will hold a banquet in the Commercial Hotel, Saturday night, December 11. It will be open to the public at 10 A. M. and will continue until 11 P. M. Many useful articles, which would make good Christmas gifts for ladies and gentlemen will be on sale. Refreshments will also be served.

The Farmers' Institute opened yesterday morning in the Presbyterian Church for a two days' session. The attendance at the meetings yesterday and last night was very good and it is thought that at tonight's session the church will be crowded. Good speaking and music form the principal features of the meetings.

A number of people from this place were in Connellsville yesterday and attended the meetings which were held in the Colonial and Solon theatres. They report both meetings very interesting.

T. H. Burckle, the Overman, Jacob Harshman, constable, and Justice of the Peace R. P. McLaughlin were in Connellsville yesterday and attended the opening of court.

Rev. A. C. Young, pastor of the Christian Church, was in Scottsdale Sunday, where he preached.

1100 Reward, \$100.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces in doing the work of destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. Proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure in its stages, and its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure. Address: P. J. O'BRIEN & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

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FAYETTE COUNTY COURT RECORDS.

Deeds Entered for Record.
Peter A. Johns Sheriff, to Reuben and Huldah Lowery, for 21 acres of land in Stewart township \$725; October 2, 1909.

Presley Stevenson to Carlton E. D.

SCHOOL REPORT

Of Connellsville Township For Third Month of the Term.

The third month of the Connellsville township school term closed on Tuesday, November 30th. The enrollment in the north end of the township remains about uniform while at Gibson nearly every room shows a marked increase. From present indications it will be necessary in the near future to establish more rooms to accommodate the new pupils. The attendance throughout the township also shows a little improvement. On Saturday, Dec. 4th a teachers' meeting was held at Gibson. These meetings are held for the purpose of discussing the general school work and will be held monthly during the remainder of the term. All persons interested in education, particularly patrons of the township schools are earnestly requested to attend these meetings. Roy E. Jensen is Supervising Principal.

The total enrollment last month was 724, the average attendance 611 and the percentage 91.

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TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 7, 1909.

THE MESSAGE.

OF THE PRESIDENT.

The Constitution of the United States provides that the President "shall from time to time give to the Congress information of the State of the Union, and recommend such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."

In compliance with this requirement, President Taft sends a message to the Congress today. The message rises to no flights of oratory; but it is straightforward, clear and decisive, ever mindful of the dignity of the Presidential office and the interests of the nation.

The message reviews at length our foreign relations and apologizes for the fact by explaining that there is no law or rule which requires the Secretary of State to make a report to the President and that consequently it becomes the duty of the President to embody a report of our foreign relations in his message. The report is comprehensive and satisfactory save that portion relating to the Nicaraguan troubles, which is brief almost to reticence. The reason of this is apparent. The Government is still investigating the charges and is not ready to act. When it is, President Taft will send a special message to the Congress giving all the details in the meantime, the Congress is in hearty sympathy with the President and Secretary Knox notwithstanding an effort on the part of Zelayan emissaries to prejudice the American mind in and out of Congress against Secretary Knox. The truth about the Zelayan government will be ascertained in an impartial manner and the honor of the American flag will be maintained on the Missouri plan.

The President professes to be unafraid of any trade war with Canada. He does not think anybody is seeking a tariff war or that anybody desires to invoke the spirit of retaliation. He thinks diplomacy will smooth all the troubles which threaten. He sincerely hopes it will, but we cannot help having serious doubts about the matter.

Hearty endorsement is given to that feature of the Taft act which empowers the President to appoint a Tariff Board to assist him in connection with the Department of State in the administration of the Maximum and Minimum of the law. The President thinks the work of this board will be of prime utility when a future revision of the tariff shall be deemed necessary. The board is evidently destined to be an advisory committee in the administration of the present customs law as well as a Tariff Commission for authorizing data regarding future laws. Such a commission has been urged frequently, but no action has ever before been taken because any sort of tariff "tinkering" is looked upon with apprehension and disfavor by the business world. The chief purpose of the commission or board has robbed it of most of its force, and he doubts it will be of much use in the application of the present law and in the construction of a new one.

The injunction issue is given full consideration and the rights of labor and capital are discussed calmly and dispassionately. The President quotes from the Republican Platform and recommends strict compliance with its pledge. He would have summary injunction proceedings heard and determined within seven days, and other injunctions granted only after due notice. The deduction is drawn that there is middle ground between the demands of labor and capital upon which each may stand with justice to themselves and without the elimination of a necessary and proper authority of the courts.

Concerning the deficit in the Post-office Department, the President is of the opinion that it is the chief of the low rate of postage on magazines and newspapers and hints that the rates should be advanced, especially on magazines. Most magazines are big money-makers and should probably be compelled to pay more postage; but the postage on newspapers is principally to the country weeklies, and an advance in the rates will be a burden to country editors and a tax upon public intelligence. The daily newspapers are not so much concerned since a very small proportion of their circulations are distributed through the mails. Perhaps if the Congressional franking privilege, under which typewriters and other furniture are sent through the mails without expense to the stationer, were curtailed to proper limitations the postal deficit would shrink some; and doubtless the country editor would be more content to pay increased postage on his weekly paper if the Government would refrain from the job printing business and give him a chance to make a living.

But if the President is opposed to newspaper subsidies he is not against ship subsidies. He is firmly of the opinion that such subsidies are necessary to the rejuvenation of our merchant marine and the newspapers will doubtless agree with him on this point if they do not on the other.

The conservation of our natural resources is a Roosevelt policy which receives the hearty endorsement of the President, and he promises to make it the subject of a special message in

the near future. The message will probably deal with the troubles in his Cabinet arising over this question. They need explanation.

The President endorses the idea of a public health bureau and recommends the passage of a law requiring candidates for federal offices to file a strict account of their campaign expenses. It would have the physical and political health of the nation clean and pure at all times.

In conclusion, the President congratulates the country on the fact that it is on the eve of another business expansion, but deprecates the fact that the cost of living remains so high. He attributes high prices to be due in large measure to the increased production of gold which is the standard of our currency. This portion of the message will doubtless furnish Colonel Bryan and his Free Silver followers with much consolation, since it is not likely that they will bring prominently forth the fact that the Free Silver policy would have been infinitely worse for the country. If the glut of gold has cheapened our currency and made prices higher, it must be remembered that gold is the world's standard, and that we are better off under it than any other. Free Silver would have discredited and depreciated our currency everywhere. If living is high under the Gold Standard, work is plenty and wages liberal; under the Silver Standard work would have been scarce and wages even more depressed, so that the struggle of life would have been more severe and success more uncertain.

President Taft's message is reported to have been much blue-pencilled. If it was it seems certain that the blue pencil left a lot of interesting topics unscrutinized.

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ONE CENT A WORD.

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WANTED—COMFORTABLE TRUSS. We fit them. GRAHAM & CO.

WANTED—TWO GOOD GIRLS. Apply at BAXTER'S, on Water street. dec27d

WANTED—GENTLEMEN ROOMERS and boarders. BELL PHONE 1131. dec27d

WANTED—EIGHT SPRING WAGON. Must be cheap. Inquire at the SECOND HAND STORE, Connelville, Pa. dec27d

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FOR RENT—HOUSE ON EAST CHURCH avenue. All conveniences. Inquire BELL PHONE 123-1. dec27d

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FOR SALE—A PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED or your money back. DAVE COHEN, TAILOR.

FOUND—LOST OF DINING ROOM extension tables and chairs, also silver. Inquire SMITH HOUSE, 408 1/2

FOUND—ABDOMINAL BELTS MAKE fat people comfortable. GRAHAM & CO.

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LOST—A NOTE BOOK WITH several receipts, initials signed through the book "W. J. G." Finder will please return to THE COURIER OFFICE. dec27d

Palms, Astrologer.

MISS LOUISE ST. GERMAIN South House, Room 4, East End.

Executive's Notice.

P. S. NEWMYER, ATTORNEY.

Letters of administration on the estate of Samuel N. Long, late of Connelville Borough, Fayette County, Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them, properly authenticated, for settlement. HUBBERT LONG, P. O. address, Scottdale, Pa. dec27d-17

Charter Notice.

"NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania on the 12th day of December, 1909, by Christian Kelly, George W. Campbell, O. D. Welmer, James Kennell, D. L. Shorick, Frederick Kelly, T. W. Porter, William Henry and George Lohr, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the amendments thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be known as CONNELLSVILLE VIOLETTABLE GROCERY COMPANY, the character and object of which is the buying, selling, and wholesaling of groceries and provisions, and for those purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements. P. E. YOUNG, Solicitor. nov23-10dec7

FOR RENT.

The Irwin house, 208 East Cedar avenue, 13 rooms. Can use as rooming house, or will rent as flat. Electric light, gas, hot and cold water, steam heat. In good shape.

JOS. A. MASON, Room 305, Second National Bank.

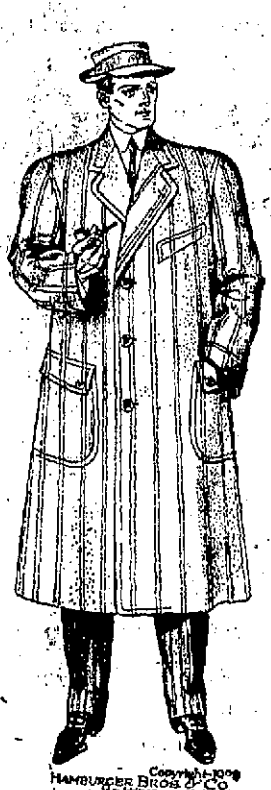
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STYLISH, distinctive overcoats; the kind the smart, aristocratic young men of today want—our store's full of them.

They're Hart Schaffner & Marx make; all-wool, and perfectly tailored; we can fit you. Priced \$15 to \$35.

This store is the home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

Wertheimer Brothers.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Western Pennsylvania—Rain or snow today; Wednesday, colder and generally fair.

Plan to Make Your Xmas a Happy One.

IT WILL BE A PLEASURE TO YOU TO KNOW THAT THE GIFTS YOU GIVE WILL BE BOTH APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL FOR SUCH ARE THE KIND THAT ARE THE MOST ACCEPTABLE.

The Christmas season is on and every day sees added interest in the selecting and purchasing of Christmas remembrances. Don't be among the ones that put off buying until the eleventh hour, forgetting that the best things always go first but buy now. Our unusual preparedness offers many reasons why you should do your shopping here. Men in particular in buying gifts for their wives, their mothers, their sister, or their sweethearts should buy them here at an exclusive "woman's store" where the whims and ideas of the most fashionable as well as the most critical, we always strive to please.

CHRISTMAS JEWELRY.

Perhaps nothing we can mention offers a wider range of Christmas suggestions than jewelry. Not the cheap ordinary kind, but qualities high grade and in strict keeping with the superior class of merchandise we are known to carry. As good in quality and selection as can be found at your jeweler but at prices much less. Belt Pins.—In every shape and design, gold, silver, oxidized, antique, etc., plain or engraved or with applied ornaments of metal, stone or large sets. Bottles, bees, butterflies, reptiles, etc., are very popular done in all metals with large rich settings in rare stones. They are here at 50¢ up, specially guaranteed and put up separately in gift boxes.

Hat Pins.—In plain and fancy metals and beautiful sparkling settings of every description. Designs are too numerous to describe. Particular attention is called to our line of studded effects in white settings in round, square, cube, globe, and oblong heads, very brilliant and attractive. Prices from 50¢ to \$4.50, put up separately in gift boxes.

We also carry a good assortment of cuff links, tracelets, neck chains and medallions, lockets, collar pins, collar and belt pin sets, scarf pins, fobs, etc., in quantities that make them worthy of your notice.

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES.

While we have not handicapped a single department of our store to display our Christmas wares we have arranged our large tables in the rear of our store a well chosen lot of novelties that are bound to appeal to our customers and at prices that will appeal. We've only room here to hint at a few of the articles shown: Hat pin holders, manicure sets, cigar cases, hair receivers, desk sets, paper weights, shaving sets, match scratchers, to racks, letter paper in fancy boxes, sewing boxes, tannery bags, stocking bags, catch-all bags, doll patterns and imported dolls representing all nations.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

As usual our Holiday Handkerchief display offers the newest, finest and most beautiful ideas being shown. A comprehensive description of this line would be impossible; they will be seen to be appreciated. Shown at all prices, put up in fancy boxes for mailing of gifts. Rear of store.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.
129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street.

CLOSING OUT.

\$2,000 Millinery Stock.

We are closing out our entire stock of Millinery. Two thousand dollars worth of Millinery to go at Half Price. Trimmed Hats, Millinery Supplies, Plumes, Fancy Feathers and everything in our up-to-date Millinery Department must go in the next two weeks. Prices have been slaughtered, values have been lost sight of. We are closing the Millinery Department out of our business and now is the time of harvest for those who have delayed buying their winter headwear. To those who can trim their own hats this is a rare opportunity to secure trimmings at less than wholesale prices. One-half price is the rule. Our counters are filled with the boxes for your selection.

\$1.25 WINGS FOR	63c
\$1.50 WINGS FOR	75c
\$1.99 PLUMES FOR	99c
75c FANCY FEATHERS FOR	38c
50c FEATHERS FOR	25c
29c FEATHERS FOR	15c
89c AIGRETTES FOR	51c
\$12.00 WILLOW PLUMES FOR	\$6.00
\$15.00 WILLOW PLUMES FOR	\$7.50
\$11.00 TRIMMED HATS FOR	\$5.49
\$8.98 TRIMMED HATS FOR	\$4.49

These half prices hold good entirely through the line. Anything you may see that strikes your fancy is just half price. There are hundreds of articles here to suit the most fastidious and this is the time to save money. Come everybody!

SCHMITZ' New York Racket Store.

Christmas Footwear.

FOR EVERYBODY.

Christmas is only three weeks away or nearly so, and that is not very long you know. The wise buyers have learned to buy early. They find the selection better, not picked over so much and then it is off of their mind.

WE ARE NOW READY.

We have our Christmas footwear displayed now in our windows and through our store. We are ready to begin to show you right away, indeed a great many bought the last few days of last week.

SENSIBLE AND APPRECIATED.

There is nothing that will make a more sensible Christmas gift than footwear. Footwear goes right straight to the heart of the person who receives it. It's always appreciated. You don't waste your money.

C. W. DOWNS & CO.,

Connellville's Leading High Grade Shoe Store.

South Connelville Tin Plate Mill Starts About December 15.

And we have inside information that it is not likely to stop for a period of years. Our lots were marked down to hard-pan prices a year ago. THERE ARE NO CHEAPER LOTS AROUND CONNELLSVILLE. Buy now before prices are advanced.

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\$3.00 \$3.50 \$4.00

Popular with ladies on account of their many good qualities. For comfort and good looks few shoes have the same merits to as great a degree as the Dorothy Dodd. The shapes of the lasts are so carefully designed that the shoes are known as the "faultless fitting shoes." In leathers you never get a shoe but has the best selections, just the kind of leather that keeps your shoes looking nice long after many other makes of shoes would look shabby.

Dorothy Dodd styles are always the new ones, better try a pair the next time.

\$3.00—\$3.50—\$4.00

Norris & Hooper

104 W. Main St., Connelville, Pa.

We Have Unexcelled Opportunities

Amazingly Low Prices

There is no appeal from the edict of nature. She is refusing to yield up more than the most meagre supply of diamonds from old mines, and new fields are in sight. Any jeweler will tell you that the prices of diamonds are up to stay.

Part of the stock we bought in anticipation of the last rise is still on hand, but the Christmas demand lessens it every day. Nevertheless we shall not raise prices until we have to. Under present conditions diamonds bought of us are among the most safe and profitable of investments.

DIAMOND SUPREMACY
In Quality—in Variety—in Price Moderation—and Popular Confidence. Constantly proven anew, and to the definite advantage of our patrons.

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Promptly Filled
Diamonds platinum here forwarded immediately, by prepaid express, on receipt of the price, and delivery guaranteed.

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\$225.00 No. 3111 14K Solid Gold Fine White Diamond	\$75.00 No. 309 14K Solid Gold Fine White Diamond	\$50.00 No. 501 14K Solid Gold Fine White Diamond	\$32.00 No. 3110 14K Solid Gold Fine White Diamond	\$65.00 No. 703 Fine White Diamond	

THE WEST PENN MADE IT LIGHT.

Scottdale Council Saved
From the Dark When
Light Failed

BUT NOT ENOUGH WERE THERE

So The Meeting Will Likely Be Next
Tuesday Evening—First Services
Ever Held in the Lockup—Other
News of the Mill Town.

SCOTSDALE, Dec. 7.—When the gas with which the Borough building is lighted failed last evening it was no fault of darkness or the West Penn Electric Company that there was no meeting of the Borough Council, for Superintendent J. S. Johnson on finding his own office without gas made a visit to the Borough building equipped with a long line of electric wire and a big chandelier. He hung the chandelier and made the connection so that when meeting time arrived at 8 o'clock the council room was the most brilliantly lighted that night in town. The Fayette County Gas Company supplies free light and heat to the building, but it was dark and chilly so far as they were concerned. The meeting, however, failed to bring forth a quorum, as only three members got around. Three members, President W. H. Slaughter, J. W. Fitzsimmons, W. H. Brown and J. F. Hardy are working a night turn at the mills and could not get there. The other members absent presumed likely that there could be no light, so they kept away. It is probable that a meeting will not be held until next week. Tuesday evening seems the best for that, as Monday night would not bring a quorum, since the College singing girls, the second number in the Y. M. C. A. before course are at the Opera house that evening.

Break in the Gas Line.
It was the light and likewise the heat that failed last evening, where ever gas is used in town. The break of the Fayette County Gas Company's line at Mt. Morris, Fayette county, was reported here yesterday afternoon and the pressure began to steadily go down. The local men hurried to the regulators and did all they could to conserve the supply yet remaining in the line. It was reported here that blasting in doing some large excavating had torn out four 12-inch sections of the main line and the break could not be repaired for several hours. There was a heavy rush for candles all over town, and St. Paul and oil received a great boom when the old kerosene lamps were repaired and put into commission. The people with electricity were independent so far as light went and many of them were so, for the West Penn Julee is widely used in town, but when it came to heat some were left at the start, if they depended upon gas alone. Some eminent citizens at cold meals last evening and this morning. The telephone to the gas office was kept red hot and the telephone girls were ready to switch you to the right place if the name you called for seemed to start with "H" or "D," as they expected "Fayette County Gas Company" or "Fayette office, please." The boys of the American Street & Tin Plate Company had to shut down their amputing and galvanizing plants as these use gas for fuel, but the balance of the mills are not. All over town a depressing chill seemed to settle down, and it was another feature of the good weather that it was so cold. The accident was wholly unavoidable by the gas company and is such as might have occurred in any public service corporation and the local men were conspicuous in answering many questions.

A Dangerous Place.
Borough Attorney C. H. Volk called the attention of the members of the Town Council, who were present last evening at the regular meeting, which did not take place on account of the absence of a quorum, to a dangerous place on the street. It is on Market street just below Chestnut street. Henry Slaughter has put in a new concrete sidewalk on Market street on the property owned by the Borough, but it is in front of the next property, below and this causes a drop of 14 inches the Street Commissioner says. To give some context along and stepping off Mr. Slaughter's walk at its proper height and onto the other walk a broken limb might be the least injury he or she would sustain and the Borough would be in for a damage suit. Street Commissioner H. M. Slaughter said that he had been after the property owner to put down the walk, but since it would come up on the front of his house the latter had so far refused.

Services in the Lockup.
Members of the Mennonite congregation made a practical demonstration of their religious regards in going out and helping the needy and distressed when a number of them held the first services in the lockup. They went there on Sunday afternoon and being and saved with the three prisoners who were incarcerated. They gathered a good sized congregation and sang hymns and all listened with intense interest to the hymns that were sung, the brief and devout talks and the prayers that were offered. The prisoners one of whom was referred to in the Saturday News as a young man who had been unfortunate and time a number of times, seemed comforted with the regard shown for him as did the others who were in with him.

Card of Thanks.
The bereaved family of the late Samuel Johnson desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and who so kindly aided and comforted them during Mr. Johnson's illness and also at the time of his death. Mrs. Samuel Johnson.

Holiday Goods Are Coming In

They're Crowding our Big Building to its Utmost Capacity.

We must have more room for their proper display, so we've planned

A Before X-mas Stock Clearing Sale

A week of value giving that'll accomplish our desire and afford you a saving toward gift things that you cannot afford to miss.



Here's Ladies', Misses' and Girl's Ready-to-Wear Garments Priced for Quick Selling and You'll be delighted with the Saving it Means.

\$12.80 BUYS \$18.50 AND \$21.00 LADIES' SUITS.

Made of Blue Serge, Gray and Fancy Mixed Cashmeres and Worsteds in this season's most desirable shades, distinctive styles and perfection of fit give these suits character that will appeal to the most critical.

\$10.00 BUYS \$18.00 AND \$21.00 LADIES' ONE PIECE DRESSES.

Tailored throughout by the most competent man tailors, of Blue Serge and Shephard Plaid Worsteds materials, handsomely trimmed and of a design suitable for women of all stature.

\$16.98 BUYS \$23.50 AND \$27.50 LADIES' SUITS

This line embraces the pick of the highest class suit designers' productions, faultlessly tailored, of Blue Serge, Fancy Mixed Cashmeres and Worsteds, and various shades of plain colors, in this season's wanted styles. Long, gracefully built coats, handsomely trimmed or of plain design, with skirts to match each individuality.



A Display of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Hats

Made Doubly Attractive this Week by Being Priced at Half and a Third Their Actual Value.

43c buys 98c Children's Hats.

95c buys \$1.50 and \$1.75 Children's Hats.

\$2.98 buys \$4.00 and \$4.50 Ladies' and Misses' Trimmed Hats.
\$3.98 buys \$5.00 and \$5.50 Ladies' and Misses' Trimmed Hats.
\$4.98 buys \$7.50 and \$8.00 Ladies' and Misses' Trimmed Hats.

\$1.48 buys \$2.00 and \$2.50 Children's Hats.

\$1.98 buys \$3.00 and \$3.50 Ladies' and Misses' Trimmed Hats.

Every Hat here is of the latest creation for mid-winter wear, copied from imported models, and trimmed in a variety of fashions that will enable you to find just your suited type and consider the saving, too.

\$11.90 BUYS \$16.50 AND \$18.00 LADIES' COATS.

Made of Black Broadcloth and Blue Serge Materials, in full length models, some full and some half lined. Coats that are interesting to every one from a correct dress standpoint, and they're priced at about one-third off their former actual value.

\$17.85 BUYS LADIES' AND MISSES' COATS.

Made in the full length styles, of genuine Caracul and imported Broadcloth. Some are waist lined, others full lined to bottom of coat with a guaranteed satin lining, and exact counterparts of some store's \$30.00 and \$35.00 Coats.

\$4.90 BUYS \$6.50 LADIES' SKIRTS.

And such values as these will not tarry here long. Always at least twenty per cent. lower than other stores, this additional reduction means a saving of about one-third.

The materials are Panama.

The styles plain pleated or tucked.

The colors are Blue, Black and Gray.

\$4.90 BUYS \$5.98 and \$6.60 SILK PETTICOATS

In Black or colors. Made of Taffeta Silk, with clusters of tucks or ruffles and extra wide hems, in all sizes.



Children's Warm Coats are Much Needed Articles Now

You Can Fit Them Now and put them Away for Santa to Deliver Christmas. Then the Savings you'll attain will buy some toys, too.

\$4.98 Buys Girls' and Children's Coats, made of fine Kersey cloth, in plain colors and fancy mixtures. A suitable coat for the older girls, too.

\$2.98 Buys \$4.00 and \$4.50 Children's and Girls' Coats, made of Beaver cloth in full length and reefer styles. The colors are Red, Blue, Green and Brown.

\$1.98 Buys \$3.00 and \$3.50 Children's and Girls' Long Coats, made of all wool cloth in Red, Blue, Green and Brown.

\$3.98 Buys \$5.00 and \$5.50 Children's and Girls' Coats in the desirable full length and reefer styles, neatly trimmed with braid, in Red, Blue and Beaver, plain colors and fancy mixtures.



Men's, Young Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing Temptingly Priced.

SECOND FLOOR.



\$10.00 Buys \$15 Men's Overcoats and Raincoats, in fancy mixtures and plain gray and black, some full lengths, others three-quarter length.

\$1.48 Buys Men's Warm Work Coats, three-quarter quality, canvas outside, waterproof interlining and blanket lined, with high corduroy collar.

\$2.48 Buys \$3.50 and \$4.75 Men's Work Coats, heavy blanket lined with high corduroy collar, just the coat for outside work and drivers.

\$2.68 Buys \$3.50 and \$4.00 Sweet Orr & Co., Corduroy Pants, acknowledged as the best made pants for work and guaranteed to be first quality.

48c Buys Boys' Knickerbocker Pants, in all sizes and all colors, light and dark shades.

\$9.80 Buys \$12.50 and \$15 Men's Suits of fine fancy cashmere and velours, in all sizes. The colors are gray, black and fancy mixtures.

\$12.80 Buys \$16.50 and \$18 Men's Suits in fancy worsteds, blue serge, black thibet and fancy cashmeres, in a variety of styles. All this season's models.

\$16.80 Buys \$22.50 and \$25 Men's Suits, comprising all the newest weaves and styles of the season, and the most wanted colors, in light and dark shades, also blue and black.

\$7.90 Buys \$12 Men's Overcoats and Raincoats, made of fancy velours, gray and black cravenettes.

\$14.90 Buys \$20 Men's Overcoats and Raincoats, in plain black, light and dark gray, three-quarter and full length styles, silk and serge lined; some in heavy and others medium weight.

\$1.75 Buys \$2.25 Boys' Suits with Knickerbocker or plain knee pants.

\$2.75 Buys \$4.50 and \$4.00 Boys' Suits, made of fancy mixed cashmere, in plain styles.

\$3.90 Buys \$5.00 and \$5.50 Boys' Suits in fancy cashmeres and worsteds, in plain or Knickerbocker pants.

\$1.58 Buys \$2.50 Boys' Overcoats, full length and three-quarter styles, fancy mixtures and covert cloth.

\$3.90 Buys \$5.50 and \$6 Boys' Overcoats in fancy mixed cashmere, blue serge and covert cloth, full and three-quarter lengths.

No Better Time

TO SELECT HIS PRESENT THAN NOW—NOTHING SO APPRECIATED AS A USEFUL GIFT.

39c Buys 75c Men's Fleece Lined Underwear in different styles.

50c Buys 75c Men's Fleece Lined Underwear.

50c Buys 75c Men's Dress Shirts in coat styles, cuff attached, the very latest patterns.

50c Buys Children's Coat Sweaters, all sizes, in Oxford and crimson.

98c Buys \$1.25 Boys' Coat Sweaters, all sizes and the new colors.

50c Buys 75c Men's Lined Work Mittens.

25c Buys 39c Boys' Winter Caps, in blue serge, with inside bands.

98c Buys \$1.25 Men's Blue Flannel Shirts.

WINTER SHOES

HERE'S HOW WE'LL SHOW CONNELLSVILLE PEOPLE AND SAVE THEM MONEY FOR CHRISTMAS.

29c Buys Children's Rubbers, made of first quality Para gum, in sizes 1 to 10½.

35c Buys Misses' Rubbers, that others sell at 40c the sizes are 11 to 2 only.

98c Buys Misses' and Children's Shoes, strongly made in button and blucher styles, sizes up to 2.

98c Buys Boys' Shoes, that are well made of box calf, lace or blucher styles, sizes 3 to 10½.

\$1.95 Buys \$3 and \$3.50 Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, made of patent or steel kid leathers with low or high heels in button, lace or blucher styles.

\$1.35 Buys \$1.75 and \$2.00 Misses' Shoes, made of gun metal and steel kid leather in button, lace and blucher styles, sizes 11 to 2.

\$1.75 Buys \$2.50 Ladies' and Misses' Shoes in gun metal and steel kid leathers, with high or low heels, all sizes in blucher and button styles.

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MESSAGE READ TO CONGRESS

No Tariff Revision For the Present.

NICARAGUAN TROUBLE.

Irresponsible Nations Not Pro- tected by Monroe Doctrine.

A DEFICIT OF \$73,075,000.

Legislation Urged Against In- junctions Without Notice.

Washington, Dec. 7.—In his annual message, read to congress, President Taft said:

To the Senate and the House of Representatives:

The relations of the United States with all foreign governments have continued upon the normal basis of amity and good understanding and are very generally satisfactory.

Europe.

The American rights in the fisheries on the north Atlantic coast under the fisheries articles of the treaty of 1818 have been a cause of difference between the United States and Great Britain for nearly seventy years. The interests involved are of great importance to the American fishing industry, and the final settlement of the controversy by the permanent court of arbitration at The Hague will remove a source of constant irritation and complaint. This is the first case involving such great international questions which has been submitted to the permanent court of arbitration at The Hague.

Negotiations for an international conference to consider and reach an arrangement providing for the preservation and protection of the fur seals in the north Pacific are in progress with the governments of Great Britain, Japan and Russia. The attitude of the governments interested leads me to hope for a satisfactory settlement of this question as the ultimate outcome of the negotiations.

The Near East.

The quick tribulation of the government of the Ottoman empire from one of retrograde tendencies to a constitutional government with a parliament and with progressive modern policies of reform and public improvement is one of the important phenomena of our times. Constitutional government seems also to have made further advances in Persia. These events have turned the eyes of the world upon the near east. In that quarter the prestige of the United States has spread widely through the peaceful influence of American schools, universities and missionaries. There is every reason why we should obtain a greater share of the commerce of the near east since the conditions are more favorable now than ever before.

Latin America.

One of the happiest events in recent pan-American diplomacy was the pacific, independent settlement by the governments of Bolivia and Peru of a boundary difference between them, which for some weeks threatened to cause war and even to entangle the United States in a conflict.

Our Citizens Abroad.

This administration, through the department of state and the foreign service, is leading all proper support to legitimate and beneficial American enterprises in foreign countries, the degree of such support being measured by the national advantages to be expected. A citizen himself cannot by contract or otherwise divert himself from the obligation of his protection in his personal and property rights when these are unjustly infringed in a foreign country. To avoid senseless quarrels it is proper that in considering whether American enterprise should be encouraged or supported in a particular country the government should give full weight not only to the national as opposed to the individual benefits to accrue, but also to the fact whether or not the government of the country in question is in its administration and in its diplomacy faithful to the principles of moderation, equity and justice upon which alone depends international credit in diplomacy as well as in finance.

The Monroe Doctrine.

The pan-American policy of this government has long been fixed in its principles and remains unchanged. With the changed circumstances of the United States and of the republics to the south of us, most of which have great natural resources, stable government and progressive ideals, the apprehension which gave rise to the Monroe doctrine may be said to have nearly disappeared, and under this doctrine as it exists now no other doc-

trine of American policy should be maintained for the perpetuation of irresponsible government, the average of just obligations or the insidious suggestion of dominating ambitions on the part of the United States.

My meeting with President Diaz and the greeting exchanged on both American and Mexican soil served, I hope, to signalize the close and cordial relations which so well bind together this republic and the great republic immediately to the south, between which there is so vast a network of material interests.

I am happy to say that all but one of the cases which for so long vexed our relations with Venezuela have been settled within the past few months and that, under the enlightened regime now directing the government of Venezuela, provision has been made for arbitration of the remaining case before The Hague tribunal.

On July 30, 1909, the government of Panama agreed, after considerable negotiation, to indemnify the relatives of the American officers and sailors who were brutally treated, one of them having, indeed, been killed by the Panamanian police this year.

This government was obliged to intervene diplomatically to bring about arbitration or settlement of the claim of the Emery company against Nicaragua, which it had long before been agreed should be arbitrated. A settlement of this troublesome case was reached by the signature of a protocol on Sept. 18, 1909.

Many years ago diplomatic intervention became necessary to the protection of the interests in the American claim of Alsop & Co. against the government of Chile. The government of Chile had frequently admitted obligation in the case and had promised this government to settle it. There had been two abortive attempts to do so through arbitral commissions, which failed through lack of jurisdiction. Now, happily, as the result of the recent diplomatic negotiations, the governments of the United States and of Chile, actuated by the sincere desire to create an amicable and cordial relationship upon which both set store, have agreed by a protocol to submit the controversy to definitive settlement by his Britannic majesty Edward VII.

The Nicaraguan Trouble.

Since the Washington convention of 1907 were committed to the government of the United States as a consulting and advising party this government has been almost continuously called upon by one or another and in turn by all of the five Central American republics to exert itself for the maintenance of the conventions. Nearly every complaint has been against the Zelaya government of Nicaragua, which has kept Central America in constant tension or turmoil. The responses made to the representations of Central American republics as due from the United States on account of its relation to the Washington convention have been at all times conservative and have avoided, so far as possible, any semblance of interference, although it is very apparent that the considerations of geographic proximity to the canal zone and of the very substantial American interests in Central America give to the United States a special position in the zone of these republics and the Caribbean sea.

I need not rehearse here the patient efforts of this government to promote peace and welfare among these republics, efforts which are fully appreciated by the majority of them who are loyal to their true interests. It would be no less unnecessary to rehearse here the sad tale of unappealing barbarities and oppression alleged to have been committed by the Zelaya government. Recently two Americans were put to death by order of President Zelaya himself. They were officers in the organized forces of a revolution which had continued during weeks and was to control about half of the republic, and as such, according to the modern enlightened practice of civilized nations, they were entitled to be dealt with as prisoners of war.

At the date when this message is printed this government has terminated diplomatic relations with the Zelaya government for reasons made public in a communication to the Zelaya government. It is proper that it is intended to take such future steps as may be found most consistent with its dignity, its duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America and to civilization. It may later be necessary for me to bring this subject to the attention of the congress in a special message.

In the Far East.

In the far east this government preserves unchanged its policy of supporting the principle of equality of opportunity and scrupulous respect for the integrity of the Chinese empire, to which policy are pledged the interest and powers of both east and west.

By the treaty of 1903 China has undertaken the abolition of illicit with a moderate and proportionate raising of the customs tariff along with currency reform. These reforms being a manifest advantage to foreign commerce as well as to the interests of China, this government is endeavoring to facilitate these measures and the needed acquiescence of the treaty powers. When it appeared that Chinese illicit revenues were to be hypothecated to foreign bankers in connection with a great railway project it was obvious that the governments whose nationals held this loan would have a certain direct interest in the question of the carrying out by China of the reforms in question. The administration decried American participation to be of great national interest. Happily, when it was a matter of broad policy urgent that this opportunity should not be lost, the indispensable instrumentality presented itself when a group of American bankers of international reputation and great resources agreed at once to share in the loan upon precisely such terms as this government

should approve. The chief of these terms was that American railway authority should be upon an exact equality with that of the other nations joining in the loan in the placing of orders for this whole railway system. After months of negotiation the equal participation of Americans seems at last assured.

In one of the Chinese-Japanese conventions of Sept. 1 of this year there was a provision which caused considerable public apprehension in that upon its face it was believed in some quarters to seek to establish a monopoly of mining privileges along the South Manchurian and Antung-Mukden railroads and thus to exclude Americans from a wide field of enterprise, to take part in which they were by treaty with China entitled. After a thorough examination of the convention and of the several contextual documents the secretary of state reached the conclusion that no such monopoly was intended or accomplished. This government made inquiry of the Imperial Chinese and Japanese governments and received from each official assurance that the provision had no purpose inconsistent with the policy of equality of opportunity to which the signatories, in common with the United States, are pledged.

Our traditional relations with the Japanese empire continue cordial, as usual. The arrangement of 1905 for a co-operative control of the coming of laborers to the United States has proved to work satisfactorily. The matter of a revision of the existing treaty between the United States and Japan which is terminable in 1912 is already receiving the study of both countries.

The Department of State.

I earnestly recommend to the favorable action of the congress the estimates submitted by the department of state and most especially the legislation suggested in the secretary of state's letter of this date whereby it will be possible to develop and make permanent the reorganization of the department upon modern lines in the manner to make it a thoroughly efficient instrument in the furtherance of our foreign trade and of American interests abroad.

Under a provision of the act of Aug. 5, 1909, I have appointed three officials to assist the officers of the government in collecting information necessary to a wise administration of the tariff act of Aug. 5, 1909. As to questions of customs administration they are co-operating with the officials of the treasury department and as to matters of the needs and the exigencies of our manufacturers and exporters with the department of commerce and labor in its relation to the domestic aspect of the subject of foreign commerce.

As a consequence of section 2 of the tariff act of Aug. 5, 1909, it becomes the duty of the secretary of state to conduct an diplomatic business all the negotiations necessary to place him in a position to advise me as to whether or not a particular country unduly discriminates against the United States in the sense of the statute referred to.

Government Expenditures and Revenues.

Perhaps the most important question presented to this administration is that of economy in expenditures and sufficiency of revenue.

The report of the secretary shows that the ordinary expenditures for the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, will exceed the estimated receipts by \$34,075,000. If to this deficit are added the sum to be disbursed for the Panama canal, amounting to \$38,000,000, and \$100,000,000 to be paid to the public debt, the deficit of ordinary receipts and expenditures will be increased to a total deficit of \$73,075,000. This deficit the secretary proposes to meet by the proceeds of bonds issued to pay the cost of constructing the Panama canal. I approve this proposal.

The Panama Canal.

The policy of paying for the construction of the Panama canal not out of current revenue, but by bond issue, was adopted in the Spooner act of 1902, and there seems to be no good reason for departing from the principle by which a part at least of the burden of the cost of the canal shall fall upon posterity, who are to enjoy it. All the more, therefore, for this view because the actual cost to date of the canal, which is now half done and which will be completed Jan. 1, 1915, shows that the cost of engineering and construction will be \$297,700,000 instead of \$185,705,200, as originally estimated. In addition to engineering and construction, the other expenses, including sanitation and government and the amount paid for the properties, the franchise and the privilege of building the canal, increase the cost by \$75,425,000 to a total of \$373,125,000. The increase in the cost of engineering and construction is due to a substantial enlargement of the plan of construction by widening the canal 100 feet in the Culebra cut and by increasing the dimensions of the locks, to the under-estimate of the quantity of the work to be done under the original plan and to an under-estimate of the cost of labor and materials, both of which have greatly advanced in price since the original estimate was made.

Government Economy.

In order to avoid a deficit for the ensuing fiscal year I directed the heads of departments in the preparation of their estimates to make them as low as possible consistent with imperative governmental necessity. The result has been, as I am advised by the secretary of the treasury, that the estimates of the expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911—that is, for the next fiscal year—now less by \$55,000,000 than the total of appropriations for the current fiscal year and less by \$94,000,000 than the estimates for that year. So far as the secretary of the treasury is able to form a judgment as to future income, there will be no deficit in the year ending June 30, 1911, but a small surplus of \$712,000.

In the present, estimates the needs of the departments and of the government have been cut to the bone.

For the purpose of securing information which will enable the executive and the legislative branches to unite in a plan for the permanent reduction of the cost of governmental administration the treasury department has instituted an investigation by one of the most skilled expert accountants in the United States. The object of the investigation is to devise means to increase the average efficiency of each employee. There is great room for improvement toward this end, not only by the reorganization of bureaus and departments and in the avoidance of duplication, but also in the treatment of the individual employee.

Under the present system it constantly happens that two employees receive the same salary when the work of one is far more difficult and important and exacting than that of the other. Superior ability is not rewarded or encouraged.

Civil Pensions.

As the degree of efficiency in all the departments is much lessened by the retention of old employees who have neglected their energy and usefulness it is indispensable to any proper system of economy that provision be made so that their separation from the service shall be easy and inevitable. It is impossible to make such provision unless there is adopted a plan of civil pensions. We cannot in view of the advancing prices of living, hope to save money by a reduction in the standard of salaries paid. Indeed, if any change is made in that regard an increase rather than a decrease will be necessary, and the only means of economy will be in reducing the number of employees and in obtaining a greater average of efficiency from those retained in the service.

Frauds in the Collection of Customs.

I regret to refer in the face of the discovery of extensive frauds in the collection of the customs revenue at New York city, in which a number of the subordinate employees in the weighing and other departments were directly concerned and in which the beneficiaries were the American Sugar Refining company and others. The frauds consisted in the payment of duty on underweights of sugar. The government has recovered from the American Sugar Refining company all that it is shown to have been defrauded of. The sum was received in full of the amount due which might have been recovered by civil action against the beneficiary of the fraud, but there was an excess reservation in the contract of settlement by which the settlement should not interfere with or prevent the criminal prosecution of every one who was found to be subject to the same.

Criminal prosecutions are now proceeding against a number of the government officers. The treasury department and the department of justice are exerting every effort to discover all the wrongdoers, including the officers and employees of the companies who may have been privy to the fraud. It would seem to me that in investigation of the frauds by congress at present, pending the problem of the treasury department and the department of justice, as proposed, might by giving community and other might prove an embarrassment in securing conviction of the guilty parties.

Maximum and Minimum Clause in Tariff Act.

Two features of the new tariff act call for special notice. In order that the maximum duty shall be charged against the imports from a country it is necessary that the executive shall find on the part of that country not only discriminations in its laws or in the practice under them against the trade of the United States, but that the discriminations found shall be adjudged to be without good and fair reason. No one is seeking a tariff war or a condition in which the spirit of retaliation shall be aroused.

Tariff Readjustment.

The new tariff law enables me to appoint a tariff board to assist me in connection with the department of state in the administration of the minimum and maximum clause of the act and also to assist officers of the government in the administration of the entire law. I believe that the work of this board will be of prime utility and importance. Whenever congress shall deem it wise again to readjust the customs duties, the facts secured by the tariff board are of such a character as to show generally that the rates of duties imposed by the present tariff law are excessive under the principles of protection as described in the platform of the successful party at the late election. I shall not hesitate to invite the attention of congress to this fact and to the necessity for action predicated thereon. Nothing, however, hinders business and interferes with the course of prosperity so much as the threatened revision of the tariff, and until the facts are at hand, after careful and deliberate investigation, upon which such revision can properly be undertaken, it seems to me unwise to attempt it.

War Department.

In the least of immediate economy I have requested a reduction in the estimates of the war department for the coming fiscal year which brings the total estimates down to an amount forty-five millions less than the corresponding estimates for last year. This could be accomplished only by cutting off new projects and suspending for the period of one year all progress in military matters. For the same reason I have directed that the army shall not be recruited up to its present authorized strength. These measures can hardly be more than temporary, for I am sure that the interests of the military establishment are seriously in need of careful consideration by congress.

The secretary of war calls attention to a number of needed changes in the army, in all of which I concur, but the point upon which I place most emphasis is the need for an elimination

of the military and naval joint board which officers shall have some of their time upon their advancement and by which the advancement of all may be accelerated by the effective elimination of a definite proportion of the least efficient.

The military and naval joint board have unanimously agreed that it would be unwise to make the large expenditures which at one time were contemplated in the establishment of a naval base and station in the Philippine Islands and have expressed their judgment, in which I fully concur, in favor of making an extensive naval base at Pearl Harbor, near Honolulu, and not in the Philippines.

The Navy.

The return of the battleship fleet from its voyage around the world in more efficient condition than when it started was a noteworthy event of the naval activities of the world. The marked success of the ships in steaming around the world in all weathers on schedule time has increased respect for our navy and has added to our national prestige.

It is a regrettable fact that the higher officers are old for the responsibilities of the modern navy, and the admirals do not arrive at flag rank young enough to obtain adequate training in their duties as flag officers.

Owing to the necessity for economy in expenditures, I have directed the curtailment of recommendations for naval appropriations so that they are thirty-eight millions less than the corresponding estimates of last year, and the request for new armament construction is limited to two first class battleships and one repair vessel.

The secretary of the navy has inaugurated a tentative plan involving changes in the organization of the navy department, including the navy yards, all of which have been found by the attorney general to be in accordance with law. I have approved the execution of the plan proposed because of the greater efficiency and economy it promises.

Department of Justice—Expedition in Legal Procedure.

The deplorable delays in the administration of civil and criminal law have received the attention of committees of the American Bar association and of many state bar associations as well as the considered thought of judges and jurists. In my judgment, a change in public procedure, with a view to reducing its expense to private litigants in civil cases and facilitating the dispatch of business and final decision in both civil and criminal cases, constitutes the greatest need in our American institutions. I do not doubt for one moment that much of the lawless violence and cruelty exhibited in lynchings are directly due to the uncertainties and injustices growing out of the delays in trials, judgments and the execution thereof by our courts.

I therefore recommend legislation providing for the appointment by the president of a commission with authority to examine the law and equity procedure of the federal courts of first instance, the law of appeals from those courts to the courts of appeals and to the supreme court and the costs imposed in such procedure upon the private litigants and upon the public treasury and make recommendation with a view to simplifying and expediting the procedure as far as possible and making it as inexpensive as may be to the litigant of little means.

The platform of the successful party in the late election contained the following:

Injunctions Without Notice.

"We believe that the rules of procedure in the federal courts with respect to the issuance of the writ of injunction should be more accurately defined by statute and that to injunction or temporary restraining order should be issued without notice, except where irreparable injury would result from delay, in which case a speedy hearing thereafter should be granted."

I recommend that in compliance with the promise thus made appropriate legislation be adopted. Moreover, every such injunction or restraining order issued without previous notice and opportunity by the defendant to be heard should be of no effect after seven days from the issuance thereof or within any time less than that period which the court may fix unless within such seven days or such less period the injunction or order is extended or renewed after previous notice and opportunity to be heard.

Anti-trust and Interstate Commerce Laws.

The jurisdiction of the general government over interstate commerce has been in the passage of the so called "Sherman anti-trust law" and the "interstate commerce law" and its amendments. The developments in the operation of these laws call for a discussion and some suggestions as to amendments. These I prefer to embody in a special message.

Postoffice Department—Second Class Mail Matter.

The deficit every year in the post-office department is largely caused by the low rate of postage of 1 cent a pound charged on second class mail matter, which includes not only newspapers, but magazines and miscellaneous periodicals. The actual loss growing out of the transmission of this second class mail matter at 1 cent a pound amounts to about \$63,000,000 a year. This average cost of the transportation of this matter is more than 9 cents a pound. The statistics of 1907 show that second class mail matter constituted 63.91 per cent of the weight of all the mail and yielded only 5.19 per cent of the revenue.

The figures given are startling and show the payment by the government of an enormous subsidy to the newspapers, magazines and periodicals. A great saving might be made, amounting to much more than half of the loss, by imposing upon magazines and periodicals a higher rate of postage.

Postal Savings Banks.

I believe postal savings banks to be necessary in order to offer a proper inducement to thrift and saving to all great many people of small means who do not now have banking facilities and to whom such a system would offer an opportunity for the accumulation of capital. They will furnish a satisfactory substitute, based on sound principle and actual successful trial in nearly all the countries of the world, for the system of government guaranty of deposits now being adopted in several western states which, with deference to those who advocate it, seems to me to have in it the seeds of demoralization to conservative banking and certain financial disaster.

Ship Subsidy.

Following the course of my distinguished predecessor, I earnestly recommended to congress the consideration and passage of a ship subsidy bill.

Interior Department—New Mexico and Arizona.

The successful party in the last election in its national platform declared in favor of the admission as separate states of New Mexico and Arizona, and I recommend that legislation appropriate to this end be adopted.

Alaska.

With respect to the territory of Alaska, I recommend legislation which shall provide for the appointment by the president of a governor and also of an executive council, the members of which shall during their term of office reside in the territory and which shall have legislative powers sufficient to enable it to give to the territory local laws adapted to its present growth. I strongly deprecate legislation looking to the election of a territorial legislature in that vast district.

Conservation of Natural Resources.

In several departments there is presented the necessity for legislation looking to the further conservation of our national resources, and the subject is one of such importance as to require a more detailed and extended discussion than can be entered upon in this communication. For that reason I shall take an early opportunity to send a special message to congress.

The White Slave Trade.

There is urgent necessity for additional legislation and greater executive activity to suppress the recruiting of the ranks of prostitutes from the streams of immigration into this country—an evil which, for want of a better name, has been called "the white slave trade."

Bureau of Health.

There seems to be no reason why all the bureaus and offices in the general government which have to do with the public health or subjects akin thereto should not be united in a bureau to be called the "bureau of public health."

Political Contributions.

I urgently recommend to congress that a law be passed requiring that candidates in elections of members of the house of representatives and committees in charge of their candidacy and campaign file in a proper office of the United States government a statement of the contributions received and of the expenditures incurred in the campaign for such elections and that similar legislation be enacted in respect to all other elections which are constitutionally within the control of congress.

Conclusion.

Speaking generally, the country is in a high state of prosperity. There is every reason to believe that we are on the eve of a substantial business expansion, and we have just gathered a harvest unexampled in the market value of our agricultural products. The high prices which such products bring mean great prosperity for the farming community; but, on the other hand, they mean a very considerably increased burden upon those classes in the community whose yearly compensation does not expand with the improvement in business and the general prosperity. Various reasons are given for the high prices. The proportionate increase in the output of gold, which today is the chief medium of exchange and is in some respects a measure of value, furnishes a substantial explanation of at least part of the increase in prices. The increase in population and the more expensive mode of living of the people, which have not been accompanied by a proportionate increase in acreage production, may furnish a further reason. It is well to note that the increase in the cost of living is not confined to this country, but prevails the world over, and that those who would charge increases in prices to the existing protective tariff must meet the fact that the rise in prices has taken place almost wholly in those products of the factory and farm in respect to which there has been either no increase in the tariff or in many instances a very considerable reduction.

GIRL FOUND IN CISTERN

Mystery That Has Stirred Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Is Cleared Up. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 7.—With the fading of the body of Miss Margaret Douerty in a twelve-foot cistern in her father's yard at Hughsonville, a mystery that stirred the whole region was cleared up.

Miss Douerty, daughter of Rev. Wm. H. Douerty, rector of the Presbytery of Dutchess, left here early Sunday afternoon telling her mother she was going for a walk. When she did not return in two hours her father sent out an alarm and the search was kept up until Detective Young found the body in the cistern.

Boiler Explodes, Killing Two. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 7.—Two persons are reported killed and four dangerously injured in a boiler explosion in the Lyon wholesale millinery house at Eighth street and Broadway.

Is Your Face Healthy?

Follow This Beauty Hint If Your Complexion Is Poor.

Fortune favours the face is based first upon health. Regularity of features is secondary if the complexion is as fresh as a rose. And every face that is not clear, fresh and delicate, actually is unhealthy. The reason is to be found in impure circulation, closed pores, and the uncleanliness that comes from exposure to the air and dust, and which soap and water cannot correct. Remove the cause, and the skin will welcome healthful conditions, quickly attaining the pink of perfection. But how? Scientific massage and Crown Cream. Every feminine reader has used or has heard of Crown Cream, which even without massage is the greatest healing and cleansing toilet preparation ever compounded. The laboratory which gave the world this cream, has greatly added to its efficiency by the invention of the Harlan Beauty Cup, an appliance which makes every woman a masseuse.

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

ONLY a little more than three weeks in which to buy the things that go to make your friends a "Merry Christmas." The increased buying indicates that Christmas shopping will be done much earlier this year than usual. This is especially true of the finer lines. Many have already made the greater part of their purchases.

Our stock is now almost complete in all lines—larger and more varied than ever before. So many of the practical, always appreciated articles in their most attractive designs. Gifts for every member of the family, with a fine collection to choose from. Some especially fine things for men.

The Gates of Toyland Are Thrown Open.

Toys of all kinds are here to greet you. The dolls are holding a convention. Big dolls, little dolls, dolls from all over the country, are in attendance. They brought their furniture with them—

Beds, carts, chairs and dishes. Pianos, violins, magic lanterns and moving picture machines are here for their entertainment. Then there is the furniture for "make believe" housekeeping and parties—chairs, tables, dishes, decks—and the hobby horses, sleds, animals of all kinds, rattles, blocks, picture books, shooting galleries, guns, trumpets, drums, brave soldiers that never ran away, stationary engines, locomotives and cars on tracks, automobiles, cabs, drags, hook and ladder wagons, log carts, and those things that make the stormy winter days and evenings seem short. Every child and child-lover is invited to come and enjoy. This is your invitation.

Men's Gifts--Things They Will Appreciate.

Military Brushes—Silver, ebony and mahogany backs. Per pair, \$2.00 to \$6.00
Tourist Cases of leather, with tooth brush, hair brush, soap box and comb. At \$1.00 to \$3.00
Four-in-Hand-Ties—An unusually attractive line of the latest effects. At 50c to \$1.50
 An exceptionally strong line at \$1.00
Cigar Boxes—made of mission wood, ebony and mahogany \$3.00 to \$10.00
Cigar Jars \$3.00 to \$10.00
Hat Brushes with silver backs, 50c to \$1.00
Slippers—All leathers, in black, tan and wine. Men's and boys' sizes, \$1.00 to \$2.00.
Men's Reefer Mufflers—White, black and gray, in plain and fancy silks, \$1.00 to \$3.50.

Bath Robes—An attractive line, \$4 to \$10.00
Suspenders and Combination Sets, silk wools, in white and colors, 50c to \$1.50
Traveling Bags—A fine collection of cowhide, alligator and walrus bags in the best styles and sizes. These make very practical gifts \$5.00 to \$20.00
Smoking Jackets—(If he does not smoke, you can call it a house coat.) A very appropriate gift. \$5.00 to \$10.00
Men's Half Hose—"Interwoven" hose, assorted colors in Christmas box 4 pairs. \$1.00
Initial Handkerchiefs—Six in a box, per box 75c to \$1.50
Men's Pajamas, with slippers to match \$3.50
Sweaters in black, white and colors, trimmed in colors. \$2.50 to \$5.00

Suggestions for Christmas Buying.

Space does not permit a complete list of the Holiday goods nor of giving but a very brief description of those mentioned. Only by a visit to the different departments can you get an idea of the beautiful and attractive articles offered.

Jewel Boxes in silver, French gray and brush brass. A variety of sizes and designs. 25c to \$10.00
Talcum Powder Boxes, in silver. At \$1.50 and \$2.00
Hair Receivers, and **Puff Boxes** at 25c to \$3.50
Waste Paper Baskets in mission wood. A number of pleasing designs. At 50c to \$3.50
Mission Book Racks. 75c
Candle Sticks—Artistic designs in brush brass and silver. 50c to \$3.00

Clothes Brushes in wood and silver backs. 50c to \$3.50
Pin Trays and ring trays. 25c to \$2.50
Ladies' Hand Bags—Leather in black and brown and other colors. A variety of sizes and styles. 50c to \$15.00
Silver Mesh Bags. \$3.00 to \$10.00
Pictures—Our annual picture sale is on. An attractive display of new and interesting subjects at all prices.
 Useful presents in **Jewelry**, such as hat pins, brooches, belt pins, beauty pins, bracelets, barrets, plain and fancy back combs, necklaces, cuff buttons, etc.
Three-Piece Toilet Sets, in silver. At \$1.50 to \$10.00
Infants' Sets, brush and comb. \$1 up
Misses' Three-piece Toilet Sets at a good range of prices.

Decorative Art Linens.

Stand Covers, scarfs, doilies, tray cloths and mats in white and natural colors, embroidered in white and colors. Some are hemstitched and others scalloped and lace trimmed.

If you prefer to embroider the pieces yourself, we can supply the pattern for most of these as well as the materials for working them.

For Wrapping Christmas Packages.

Ribbon—Holly and poinsetta, in all widths, per yard. 3c to 20c

Ribbon—Satin and taffeta silk ribbon in red, green and a combination of the two colors, some with gilt threads interwoven. All widths, per yard, 1c to 40c.

Tissue Paper, stickers, seals, cards, tags, markers and boxes for tastefully wrapping Christmas packages.

Gold and Silver Plated Ware.

A collection of beautiful and very appropriate gifts.

Trays, clocks, shaving mugs, candle sticks, cigar holders, soap boxes, pin cushions, ash receivers, shaving sets, paper weights, blotters, mirrors, book racks, talcum box holders, pipe racks, shaving brush holders, powder boxes, puff boxes, vaseline jars and stamp boxes.

Other Practical Gifts.

Christmas Silks for waists and dresses. A variety of weaves in plain colors, stripes, checks and Persian designs.

Dress Patterns—To any one who is thinking of giving a dress for Christmas, our stock of dress goods offers the best that can be had. Ask to see some of the patterns.

Wool Shawls and breakfast shawls in plain gray, black, brown, shepherd's checks and faibles.

Breakfast Shawls. 25c to \$3.00

Wool Shawls. \$1.50 to \$3.00

Christmas Table Damask, napkins matched linen sets, fancy towels and lunch cloths. A great variety of patterns at a wide range of prices.

Ladies' Scarfs, made of mull and silk, in plain and faibles. 50c to \$5.00

Knit Mufflers—The Phoenix and Bradley in all staple colors and sizes. At 50c

Ladies' Neckwear—Lace, embroidered and plain tailored collars, stock collars, marine bows, fancy ribbons, jabots, ruching, coat collars and coat sets.

Ladies' Laundered Collars—Many styles in all sizes. 15c, 25c and 50c

Embroidered Laundry Bags, pin cushions, work bags, hat pin holders, coat hangers, tourists' cases and necktie racks in a variety of patterns. We have both the patterns and finished articles.

Cushions, ready to use. The largest and best line we have ever had. Made of the best of silks, satins and velours, and embroidered scrim, canvas, linen and heavy cotton mupire.

Slippers and Leggings.

Ladies' Boudoir Slippers in pink, blue, red, tan and black. \$1.00

Felt Slippers, with fur tops, in black and colors. Ladies', Misses' and Children's sizes. \$1.00 to \$2.00

Ladies' Party Slippers in patent, suede, bronze and kid. Hand beaded. \$2.00 to \$4

Children's Fancy Leggings in black and all popular colors. 50c to \$1.50

Ladies' and Children's Aprons—Plain, fancy and with hobs. Made of white lawn, lace and embroidery trimmed; also plain. At 25c up.

Silk Lisle and Silk Hose in black and in colors; plain, self-embroidered and embroidered in colors. Per pair. 25c to \$3.50

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